

Parliamentary Joint Committee on Law Enforcement

ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

Inquiry into Crystal methamphetamine

Wednesday 9 September 2015

QoN No: 4

Topic: Drug and Alcohol Rehabilitation Beds

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

Senator/Member: Singh, Lisa

Question:

- a) How many drug and alcohol rehabilitation beds are available in Australia? How many are there in each jurisdiction?
- b) Of the beds available, how many are full time residential beds, broken down by jurisdiction?
- c) Of the beds available, please also provide a breakdown of how they are funded (public, private).
- d) How many beds are provided by faith based organisations?
- e) How many beds are provided by non-government organisations?

Answer:

- a) The Commonwealth is not able to comment on the total investment in alcohol and other drug rehabilitation beds across the Commonwealth, states and territories and private providers.

The Commonwealth does not possess information regarding the number of state and territory or privately funded residential rehabilitation beds available in Australia.

Drug and alcohol rehabilitation beds are funded through a variety of public and private funding sources.

Although the primary responsibility of funding alcohol and other drug treatment services resides with state and territory governments, the Commonwealth Government is providing funding of up to \$87 million in 2015-16 to approximately 160 alcohol and other drug treatment services across Australia.

- b) See a).
- c) See a).
- d) See a).
- e) See a).